



# WOOLON CREATIVE FASHION

## CENTRAL OTAGO

Aug 2024

**Thu 29 Aug**

**QUEENSTOWN – ARROWTOWN - CLYDE**

Arrive in Queenstown this morning where you will be met at the airport. Our first stop today is in historic Arrowtown where you will have a few hours of free time to explore the town and shops and have some lunch.

We then follow the Kawerau River and Gorge past vineyards and orchards to our accommodation located in the centre of the small town of Clyde. This town has a long history of gold mining with some buildings surviving that era and now lovingly restored to create a historic precinct with art galleries, cafes, bars, and boutique shops.

This evening we'll stroll down to lively Paulina's Restaurant for dinner (own account).

***Accommodation 3 nights @ Clyde Central***

**Fri 30 Aug**

**NASEBY – RANFURLY – ST BATHANS**

A few steps from your room, a cosy little hut made of local shist awaits you with a hearty breakfast. After breakfast, enjoy a scenic winter drive through the Ida Valley into the Maniototo and the cute historic village of Naseby. Try your hand at the sport of curling at the Indoor Curling Rink – this is a game that anyone can play. It's a lot of fun and can get quite competitive! After expending energy on the ice, we'll head to the warmth of the pub for lunch.

Art Deco Ranfurly is nearby, and we'll call in here for a look at the architecture and shops. On the way home we'll stop at picturesque St Bathans for a refreshment at the iconic Vulcan Hotel which has been serving locals and visitors since 1869.

You might like to treat yourself to a delicious meal at Oliver's this evening (own account).

### **Sat 31 Aug                    CLYDE DAM – WINE TASTING - WOOLON**

This morning we're booked on a special tour to explore inside & around the incredible Clyde Dam. Our visit will reveal many mind-boggling facets of New Zealand's third-largest hydroelectric dam. Prepare to be amazed!

This afternoon, we are invited to the new Monte Cristo vineyard for a special tasting. Not only will you get to taste some distinguished wines, but also hear about the long-forgotten tale of vinous history dating back to 1864 - a story interwoven with gold, ambition, and a passionate legacy. A delicious charcuterie board is served with your wine tasting.

Central Otago is the perfect backdrop to stimulate bold designs and tonight, we celebrate creativeness at Woolon. This is a fashion event that started in 2004 and since then has grown into a popular event showcasing garments created from wool fibre. Entries come from all over NZ and the world from inspiring designers and emerging talent. Sit back and enjoy the lively show from our ringside group table.

### **Sun 01 Sep                    CLYDE – ALEXANDRA - QUEENSTOWN**

This morning, we will visit Woolon again to see the outfits on display. There are also wool workshops which you might like to join. Return to Queenstown this afternoon. Book your flight for after 4pm. Or you might like to stay another night.....see below for options.

#### **Cost:**

\$1400 per person twin share

\$400 single supplement

#### **Includes:**

- Transportation by minivan
- Pick up and drop off at Queenstown Airport
- 3 nights accommodation
- Daily breakfast
- Naseby Curling – 1 game
- Clyde Dam Tour
- Wine tasting & charcuterie board at Monte Christo Winery
- Ticket to Woolon

**Excludes:**

- Flights/transportation to/from Queenstown
- Lunch & dinner
- Travel Insurance
- Items of a personal nature

**Group size**

Min 6 / Max 12

**STAY ANOTHER NIGHT IN QUEENSTOWN**

Stay the night at the Novotel located right in the middle of Queenstown on Lake Wakatipu. The next day enjoy a cruise across stunning Lake Wakatipu onboard the lovingly restored Earnslaw steamer. At Walter Peak Station a delicious BBQ lunch is served. Cruise back to Queenstown amidst snowy mountains.

Make your own way back to the airport for a late afternoon/evening flight.

**Add-on cost:**

\$370 pp twin share

\$200 single supp

Includes 1-night accommodation at The Novotel, breakfast, Earnslaw cruise, BBQ lunch.